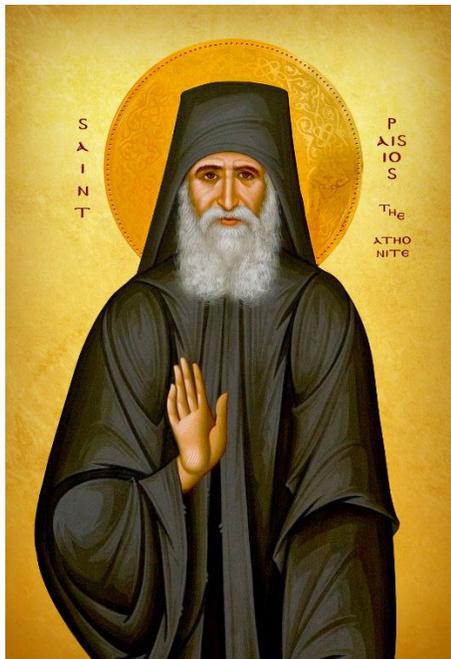


# Sts. Peter & Paul Boulder

## Weekly Bulletin Week of July 9th, 2017



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### Recurring Services

**Orthros**  
Sunday @ 8:30 am  
**Divine Liturgy**  
Sunday @ 9:30 am  
**Great Vespers**  
Saturday @ 5 pm  
**Confession by appt.**

### Service Schedule & Parish Activities

Saturday, July 15

Great Vespers

5 pm

### Welcome to Our Parish!

The mission of Sts. Peter & Paul is to be a beacon of Orthodox Christian spirituality in the greater Boulder area. We strive together to live our Orthodox Christian Faith by having a devoted prayer life, through fasting and almsgiving, and through regular participation in the services and sacraments of the Holy Orthodox Church.

### Hosts & Volunteers

|                |                              |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| Ushers         | Jacques & Amanda Nader`      |
| Myrrhbearers   | Alexandra, Elizabeth, Sophie |
| Choir          | Demetra G., Georgia          |
| Epistle Reader | Georgia                      |

### Have an Announcement?

Please contact Aaron Wall:  
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(720) 400-6579  
Deadline is every Wed. before Divine Liturgy.

# Great Martyr Euphemia the All-Praised (July 11)

The Miracle of Saint Euphemia the All-Praised: The holy Great Martyr Euphemia (Sep. 16<sup>th</sup>) suffered martyrdom in the city of Chalcedon in the year 304, during the time of the persecution against Christians by the emperor Diocletian (284-305). One and a half centuries later, at a time when the Christian Church had become victorious within the Roman Empire, God deigned that Euphemia the All-Praised should again be a witness and confessor of the purity of the Orthodox teaching.

In the year 451 in the city of Chalcedon, in the very church where the glorified relics of the holy Great Martyr Euphemia rested, the sessions of the Fourth Ecumenical Council (July 16) took place. The Council was convened for determining the precise dogmatic formulae of the Orthodox Church concerning the nature of the God-Man Jesus Christ. This was necessary because of the widespread heresy of the Monophysites [“mono-physis” meaning “one nature”], who opposed the Orthodox teaching of the two natures in Jesus Christ, the Divine and the Human natures (in one Divine Person). The Monophysites falsely affirmed that in Christ was only one nature, the Divine [i.e. that Jesus is God but not man, by nature], causing discord and unrest within the Church. At the Council were present 630 representatives from all the local Christian Churches. On the Orthodox side Anatolius, Patriarch of Constantinople (July 3), Juvenal, Patriarch of Jerusalem (July 2), and representatives of St Leo, Pope of Rome (February 18) participated in the conciliar deliberations. The Monophysites were present in large numbers, headed by Dioscorus, the Patriarch of Alexandria, and the Constantinople archimandrite Eutychius.

After prolonged discussions the two sides could not come to a decisive agreement. The holy Patriarch Anatolius of Constantinople proposed that the Council submit the decision of the Church dispute to the Holy Spirit, through His undoubted bearer St Euphemia the All-Praised, whose wonderworking relics had been discovered during the Council’s discussions.

The Orthodox hierarchs and their opponents wrote down their confessions of faith on separate scrolls and sealed them with their seals. They opened the tomb of the holy Great Martyr Euphemia and placed both scrolls upon her bosom. Then, in the presence of the emperor Marcian (450-457), the participants of the Council sealed the tomb, putting on it the imperial seal and setting a guard to watch over it for three days. During these days both sides imposed upon themselves strict fast and made intense prayer. After three days the patriarch and the emperor in the presence of the Council opened the tomb with its relics: the scroll with the Orthodox confession was held by St Euphemia in her right hand, and the scroll of the heretics lay at her feet. St Euphemia, as though alive, raised her hand and gave the scroll to the patriarch. After this miracle many of the hesitant accepted the Orthodox confession, while those remaining obstinate in the heresy were consigned to the Council’s condemnation and excommunication.

# The Recipe of Salvation According to St. Paisios the Athonite (July 12)

- Seek for a lifeline near to God. Contain your material needs, because they create huge burdens and anxieties.
- Do not envy people that have money, comforts, fame and power, but rather those who live with virtue, reason and piety.
- Do not ask God for things that only support your body, but especially what is good and beneficial for your soul.
- Change your life, discover the meaning of life, gain the time lost in this process so far on earth.
- Do not trust the mindset of secular people.
- Do not despair. God is omnipresent and loves humanity.
- Cut off every relationship with evil, live freely, according to the will of the Lord.
- Prove your faith with works of love toward your neighbor.
- Decide what you want most: the sympathy of the world or a return near to God?
- Almost all problems start from the mouth (what you say) and, likewise, by the amount you depend on your passions.
- Love your wife more than yourself. With works, not with words. And do not ever talk to her badly, because sometimes the tongue kills and destroys love.
- Be careful, because some parents spoil their children very much and always do them favors. And when a child is too spoiled, they will become selfish and take a crooked path. Many parents care more about providing material things for their children. This is wrong. The body has many material desires, but a short life. The soul continues along another course. The soul does not end up in the dirt, but with God. Today everyone deals with their body, not with the needs of their soul.
- The needs of the soul are different. The joys of the soul are different from the joys of the body. The body is easily managed, not the soul. If you have money and enter a big store, the body is all set. But what can you find in a supermarket, for your soul? The soul needs other things. The soul has need of peace, quiet, communion with God. To sustain the body, you need silver and daily bread. To sustain the soul, divine talents and heavenly Bread are needed.

From the book *Four Hours With Fr. Paisios* (Τέσσερις ώρες με τον π. Παΐσιο). Translated by John Sanidopoulos.

# Events & Announcements



## **Fundraiser Lunch for Project Mexico / St Innocent Orphanage**

**Sunday, July 9 (immediately following services)**

Father Jordan, and his daughters, Constandina and Kyriaki, will be joining a mission team from St Catherine's to build a home for a resident family and help with work at the St Innocent Orphanage in Tijuana, Mexico from July 21-27. Come enjoy a Tex-Mex lunch (11:15 am) at Saint Peter Paul. The Sunday Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:30 am (Orthros 8:15 am). All proceeds will go towards funding for the trip and to help support the Orphanage. **Checks should be made out to St Catherine Greek Orthodox Church.** Thank you for your support!

## **Pagratis Baptism, Sunday, July 9, 1 pm**

Kostas and Erinn (big brother Nicholas), will be celebrating the baptism of their daughter, Elizabeth Marie, on Sunday, July 9, 1 pm. Kostas and Erinn invite the entire parish family of Sts Peter Paul to celebrate the baptism of their daughter. Paul and Jan Morose Swiszczy will be the godparents. Everyone is invited to the baptism reception which will take place in the parish hall.

## **Sunday School Teachers' Meeting - Sunday, July 16, After Church**

Sunday school teachers, we would like to meet after services on July 16 to discuss this past 2016/2017 school year and start planning for the next. Join us in the Quiet Room (in the Narthex) at 12 noon. Please bring a copy of the curriculum you used last year.

## **Pew Donation**

The pews have arrived. The Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral generously donated pews for Sts Peter Paul. The pews are in excellent condition. It is estimated that the cost for new pews would be around \$75,000 - \$100,000. The pews are an unexpected and incredible gift for Sts Peter Paul. The donated pews need to be slightly modified in order to properly fit in the church. **The cost to modify one row will be \$300-500. Thank you for your donations. 60 % of the cost to modify and install the pews has been raised.** Please prayerfully consider donating one row. Please visit with one of our Parish Council Members or Fr. Jordan with any questions.

## **Vacation Church Camp: Growing in Christ**

**When: August 1-4, 2017**

Where: St Spyridon Church Campus

Ages: 2-14 Cost: \$15 per child

**Please register by July 24th at [elum@saintspyridon.church](mailto:elum@saintspyridon.church)**

Join us for crafts, gardening, service projects, games, music, prayers, and tons of fun! Father Jordan will be serving with Father Evan at the Vacation Church Camp. The children from Sts Peter and Paul have been invited to participate in VCC. Please let follow Fr Jordan know if you are planning to attend. You can contact Father Jordan at [frjordanbrown@gmail.com](mailto:frjordanbrown@gmail.com) or 303-581-1434.

## **Panayia Dormition Adult & Family Retreat**

Father Jordan will be leading a 2 day retreat, August 8 and 9, which take place at the Prophet Elias Chapel, located in Hot Sulphur Springs. Hotel accommodations are available in Hot Sulphur Springs (Ute Motel 970-725-0123). We will be car pooling to Hot Sulphur, the morning of August 8th, and returning in the evening on August 9th. We will have services at the Prophet Elias Chapel. There will time for hiking, fishing and swimming at the Hot Sulphur Natural Springs. Families are encouraged to participate. The estimated cost for the retreat is \$75 (includes hotel & food). Please contact Father Jordan with any questions at [frjordanbrown@gmail.com](mailto:frjordanbrown@gmail.com) or 303-581-1434. **Deadline to sign up for the retreat is Sunday, July 9.**

## **Choir Practice**

We had a great turn out for last Sunday's choir meeting. Choir practice will begin at the end of July. We will have choir rehearsals at 4 pm on Saturdays. If you have any questions and would like to join the choir, please contact either Presbyteria Marika or Presbyteria Kedrann.

## **Upcoming Youth Events**

Vacation Church School, Aug 1-4

Sunday School Teachers & Youth Workers Workshop Seminar, Aug 5

Altar boy / Alcolyte Retreat, Sunday, August 20, 12 noon

Sunday School Kick off Pool Party, Sunday, August 27

# Events & Announcements

## Orthodox Faith Classes

The Orthodox Christian Faith classes will begin this Fall (mid September). Classes will be led by Father Jordan on Wednesday Evenings and after church on Sundays. The complete class schedule will be available next month. This will be a 10 part series, beginning in September, and ending early December. If you are an inquirer, interested in the Orthodox Christian Faith or preparing to become an Orthodox Christian through the sacrament of Baptism, please join us. If you have any questions, please contact Father Jordan at [frjordanbrown@gmail.com](mailto:frjordanbrown@gmail.com) or 303-581-1434.

## 2017 Taste of Orthodoxy

\*New this year: festival t-shirts for all volunteers! We are securing sponsors to underwrite the festival t-shirts so that all volunteers can have one free of charge. If you plan to volunteer at the festival, please add your name and t-shirt size to the list on the wall in the fellowship hall. Joanne Ashmun can answer any questions you may have. Hats, visors and long-sleeve shirts will also be available to purchase as we get closer to the festival.

\*Each year, our parishioners donate the soda and water that is sold at the festival. The upcoming July 4th holiday is sure to bring some good sales on soda, so if you like to plan ahead, go ahead and start bringing in your donations. **Last names beginning A - E: Coke; F - K: Diet Coke; L - R: Sprite; S - Z: bottled water.** If you prefer to make a monetary donation for soda, please see Oliver Huskey.

## Philoptochos Board Members

The Philoptochos is looking for new board members! We are a fun group who are (or is) looking for women to join us plan for the upcoming philanthropic year! Please see Ashley Dzilvelis for more information and to join. [ashleydz1@hotmail.com](mailto:ashleydz1@hotmail.com) or 303-884-7088.

## Icon Painting Workshop - July 17-22 St. Mark Antiochian Orthodox Church, Denver

Experience the unique spiritual world of the Byzantine Era through icon painting!

Join us on this six day intensive course under the direction of visiting master iconographer and expert instructor Theodoros Papadopoulos. The Archangel Gabriel icon will “come alive” as he will guide you step by step through the ancient techniques of Byzantine Iconography. Let us journey together, discovering anew, this traditional artistic expression of theology and spirituality often called the “meeting place of the Divine”. Where you are a beginner or advanced, this workshop offers the opportunity to learn or refine your techniques. Tuition fee is \$680. Price includes most supplies. Space is limited and early registration is recommended.

## Water Gilding Workshop - July 24-25

This is a separate optional two day gilding workshop. Students are taught the technique of water gilding. Water gilding is a traditional and highly skilled technique used for the gilding of icons. During this workshop we learn all the stages of water gilding using 22-carat gold. The last stage of the process is burnishing the gold with an agate stone which results in gold that is smooth and shines like a mirror, obtaining a brilliant and very impressive effect. Tuition is \$270. Students participating in both icon painting and water gilding workshop will pay \$220 for the gilding workshop.

**For further info and registration, please contact JP Andrews <[jp@sicafoundation.org](mailto:jp@sicafoundation.org)>; 303.807.7772**



# SAINT SPYRIDON ORTHODOX CHURCH

We are so pleased to announce  
**St. Spyridon's Second Annual Vacation Church Camp!**



## "Growing in Christ"

**When: August 1-4, 2017**

**Time: 9:00 am-12:00 pm**

**Ages: 2-14**

**Cost: \$15 per child**

**Where: St. Spyridon Church Campus**  
(807 W. 29th St. Loveland)

**Please register and pay [HERE](#) by July 24th!**

**Join us for crafts, gardening, service projects, games, music, prayers, and tons of fun!**

## We hope you'll join us!!

Please pass this on to anyone you think may be interested.

Children of all backgrounds are welcome.

\*\*\*We are also looking for lots of volunteers to help run the Camp. Please email [elum@saintspyridon.church](mailto:elum@saintspyridon.church) if you think you'd be willing and able to help!\*\*\*